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In re application of:  
Chiocca and Chung  
Appl. No.: 09/653,277  
Filed: August 31, 2000

Confirmation No. 4747  
Art Unit: 1632  
Examiner: Joseph Woitach  
Atty. Docket: 0609.4880002/JAG/KRM

For: **Cell-Specific and/or Tumor-Specific  
Promoter Retargeting of Herpes  
Gamma 34.5 Gene Expression**

**Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2002 (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 14), Applicants submit the following Remarks. A Petition for a two-month extension of time and the requisite fee for a small entity are filed concurrently herewith.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.